MAINE CORPORATE INCOME TAX



ESTIMATED TAX WORKSHEET

2005

For Form 1120ES-ME

NOTE: For tax years 2005 and later, you must apportion the gross tax amount (instead of income) to determine Maine tax liability.

1. ADJUSTED FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME (check one)						
For immediate prior year Current year estimated 1.						
2.	a. ESTIMATED MAINE GROSS CORPORATE INCOME TAX For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, the Maine corporate tax rate is as follows: If adjusted federal taxable income is: The tax is:					2a
	Greater than \$ 0 \$ 25,000 \$ 75,000 \$250,000 or n	But not 0 \$ 25,000 \$ 75,000 \$250,000	<u>ver</u>))	3.5% of federal taxable income \$ 875 plus 7.93% of excess over \$ 25,000 \$ 4,840 plus 8.33% of excess over \$ 75,000 \$19,418 plus 8.93% of excess over \$250,000		
b. LINE 2A MULTIPLIED BY THE ESTIMATED MAINE APPORTIONMENT PERCENTAGE 2b						
3.	OVERPAYMENT	from prior year elected	for credit to estimated	tax:		3
4.	BALANCE of esti	mated Maine corporate	e income tax (line 2 min	us line 3):		4
5.	COMPUTATION	and RECORD OF PA	YMENTS			
	Date Paid	Total Estimate Original or Amended	Amount of Installment Payable	Prior Year Overpayment Applied to Installment	Balance Payable by Check	Total Payments and Refund Applied
1		\$ \$	April 15 \$	\$ \$	\$ \$	\$ \$
3	2 3 I	\$ \$	Sept 15 \$ Dec 15 \$	\$ \$	\$ \$	\$ \$
	Fiscal year co	rporations: use dates o	corresponding with the	15th day of the 4th, 6th,	9th and 12th months of	the fiscal year.
	NOTE: if you			, you may use the amen	•	sheet below to
1. 2.	AMENDED ESTIN	MATED CORPORATE	INCOME TAX			1
a. Amount of OVERPAYMENT from prior year credited to						
this year's estimated tax and applied to date						
b. PAYMENTS made for current year						
c. TOTAL: Line 2a plus line 2b						
3.						
4 AMOUNT TO BE PAID: Line 3 divided by number of remaining installments						Д

(KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS)
SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR INSTRUCTIONS

MAINE ESTIMATED TAX PAYMENT VOUCHER FOR CORPORATIONS (FORM 1120ES-ME) INSTRUCTIONS

1. WHO MUST PAY ESTIMATED TAX?

Every corporation subject to taxation under 36 M.R.S.A., Part 8 (Income Taxes) must pay estimated tax. If the income tax liability for the taxable year or for the prior tax year reduced by any allowable credits is less than \$1,000, the requirement is waived. *See* 36 M.R.S.A. § 5228(2).

2. AMOUNT OF ESTIMATED TAX TO BE PAID.

The estimated tax must be no less than the smaller of the following:

- a. An amount equal to the preceding year's tax liability, if that preceding year was a taxable year of 12 months; or
- b. An amount equal to 90% of the tax liability for the current taxable year. However, taxpayers cannot use the machinery and equipment investment tax credit in the determination of the estimated corporate income tax liability.

Exception: Large corporations as defined by IRC § 6655(g)(2)(A), are required to pay estimated taxes in accordance with paragraph b, except as provided in 36 M.R.S.A. § 5228(5)(C).

3. DUE DATES FOR ESTIMATED TAX INSTALLMENTS.

Installment payments are due on the 15th day of the 4th, 6th, 9th and 12th months following the beginning of the corporation's fiscal year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, substitute the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

4. AMOUNT OF INSTALLMENTS.

The amount of estimated tax due for the taxable year must be paid in four equal installments unless:

- a. The taxpayer establishes by adequate record the actual distribution of tax liability and allowable credits during the tax year; or
- b. The taxpayer is a large corporation as defined by IRC \S 6655(g)(2)(A). Such large corporations may elect to determine the first required installment for any taxable year based on the preceding year's state income tax liability, if that preceding year was a taxable year of 12 months. However, if the corporation so elects, the second required installment for the taxable year must equal 90% of the corporation's income tax liability for the first

half of the current year, less the amount of the first installment for the taxable year as determined under this provision.

5. UNDERPAYMENT PENALTY.

A penalty equal to the interest rate on overdue taxes accrues automatically on underpayments of the required installment amount for the period of underpayment. The period of underpayment is the period of time from the date the installment is due until the underpayment is satisfied or until the tax return to which the estimate installment applies is due, whichever occurs earlier.

6. SHORT TAXABLE YEAR.

For a corporation having a taxable year of less than 12 months, the estimated tax must be paid in full by the 15th day of the last month of the taxable year. If you are filing a tax return for a short taxable year, identify your next filing period in the space provided on the voucher.

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See line 2b on Form 1120W-ME, Estimated Tax Worksheet.

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